tries.

(b) to (d). In President Soares meeting with the President, Prime Minister and other Indian leaders, it was agreed to maintain a regular political dialogue, encourage businessmen in both countries to strengthen economic ties through increase in trade, investments and joint ventures in third coun-

During the visit, an agreement was singed between FICCI and the Portuguese Institute of Foreign Trade for Cooperation on business matters.

Regional Passport Office, Madras

4783. SHRI ANBARASU ERA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to augment the staff strength of the Regional Passport Office, Madras;;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is proposed to open a second Passport Offices at Madras; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINGH SOLANKI): (a) and (b). A proposal to augment staff strength in the passport offices is under consideration.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

Cases Registered Under Immoral Traffic Act in Delhi

4784. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases registered in Delhi under the Immoral Traffic Act During each of the last three years;
- (b) the outcome of investigations made in this regard;
- (c) the number of women found guilty in this connection; and
- (d) the steps taken for their rehabilitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(a) and (b). The number of cases registered in Delhi and the outcome of their investigation is as under;

Years	Cases reported	Cases put to Count	Cases ending in		Cases pending		Persons convic-
			Convic-	Acquit	Trial	invest- gation	ted .
1	2	3	4	5	ø	7	8
1989	1 17	117	53	1	63	•	219
1990	192	192	86	3	103	•	214
1991	170	163	32	3	128	7	73

Years	Cases reported	Cases put to Court	Cases ending in		Cases pending		Persons convic-
			Convic- tion	Acquit tal	Trial .	Invest- gation	ted
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1992 (Upto 15.3.92	41	23 .	1	-	22	18	2
Total	520	495	172	7	316	25	508

- (c) Out of 508 persons convicted by courts, 494 are females,
- (d) The Delhi Aministration has various schemes for the betterment of the destitute women including those convicted under the aforesaid Act.

Nic Committee on Kashmir

4785. SHRI V. KRISHGNA RAO: SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been any demand to form a committee of the National Integration Council to advise the Government of Jummu and Kashmir on the normalisation process in Kashmir; and
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Union Govemment thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The unanimous resolution adopted by the National Integration council at its meeting held on 31/12/91 to discuss the situation in Jammu & Kashmir and Punjab did not call for the formation of a Committee of the National Integration Council to advise the Government of Jammu and Kashmir on the normlisation process in Kashmir. However, an Advisory Committee at the State level has recently been appointed in J&K.

Adulteration of Pesticides

SHRIMATI MAHENDRA 4786. KUMARI: SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAVHAN: SHRIMATI KRISHNENDRA KAUR DEEPA: SHRIMATI RITA VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a large scale adulteration of pesticides in the country;
- (b) the number of such cases detected during 1991, State-wise and
- (c) the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMCHANDRAN): (a)